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## **REMARKS/ARGUMENTS**

The specification and claims have been amended to correct errors noted therein during review of the application for response to the identified Office action.

Since each of the apparatus claims are directed to "Apparatus for forming an aerosol can end," the restriction requirement is respectfully traversed. Further, it appears necessary to review both class 413, subclass 8 and class 413, subclass 56 in a search done relative to either the method claims, claims 1-11, or the apparatus claims, claims 12-15, so that no further burden should be placed on the Examiner. Accordingly, withdrawal of the restriction requirement is requested so that substantive examination of all claims 1-15 can be preformed in the present application.

It is further submitted that all claims 1-15 of the present application are in condition for allowance which is respectfully requested.

In the event the restriction requirement is maintained and for this response to the identified Office action to be complete, applicants elect claims 1-11 of Group I, directed to a method for forming a domed aerosol can end, for examination in the present application.

If the Examiner believes that an interview would facilitate prosecution of the present application, he is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned attorney.

Respectfully submitted,

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